



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Blacksburg Elementary
Cherokee County School District
Grades: 3-5 **Enrollment: 358**
Principal: Rita Martin
Superintendent: Dr. Quincie L. Moore
Board Chair: Mike Ellis

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2012	Average	Average	TBD	TBD	B	N/A
2011	Average	Average	Silver	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2010	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

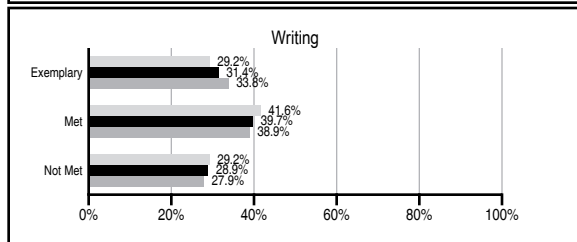
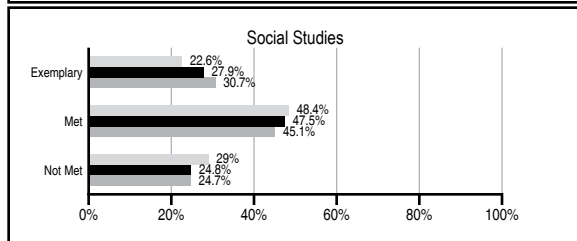
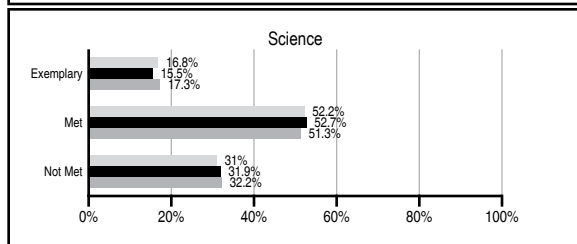
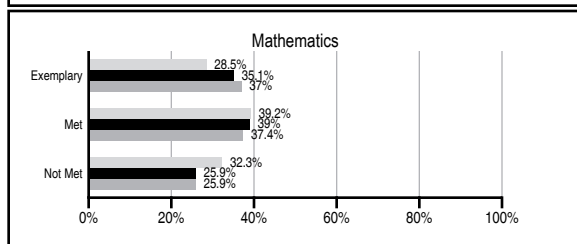
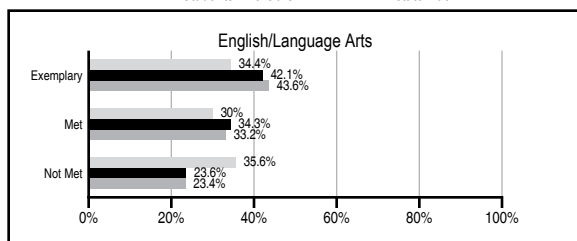
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
19	42	61	5	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/07/2012. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours Elementary schools statewide



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=358)				
Retention rate	0.3%	Up from 0.0%	1.2%	1.0%
Attendance rate	95.8%	No Change	96.3%	96.6%
Served by gifted and talented program	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
With disabilities other than speech	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Older than usual for grade	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=26)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	80.8%	Up from 77.3%	62.0%	63.0%
Continuing contract teachers	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Teachers returning from previous year	88.6%	Down from 89.0%	89.5%	88.7%
Teacher attendance rate	95.6%	Up from 94.6%	95.0%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,558	Up 9.6%	\$47,436	\$47,210
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	8.7 days	Up from 4.7 days	10.6 days	10.5 days
School				
Principal's years at school	2.0	Up from 1.0	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.1 to 1	Down from 21.9 to 1	19.7 to 1	20.0 to 1
Prime instructional time	91.1%	Up from 89.7%	90.1%	90.5%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 89.2%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Average	Down from Good	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,052	Down 4.5%	\$7,268	\$7,247
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	67.3%	Up from 66.0%	67.6%	68.2%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	66.1%	Up from 63.8%	65.1%	65.7%
ESEA composite index score	83.7	N/A	88.7	91.9

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	28	115	104
Percent satisfied with learning environment	92.9%	91.0%	85.1%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	96.4%	93.9%	86.4%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	77.8%	97.4%	81.6%

*Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Our theme this year is, "Star Polishers". The theme is based on our students being stars as we polish, shine, and buff them into twinkling beacons of success.

Programs were implemented to ensure students would gain success. Writing clinics were implemented to teach students strategies for PASS writing. Students were also offered supplemental tutoring services after school along with small group tutoring during the class day to strengthen their academic foundation. Computer and science labs were utilized as an added dimension to bring about success. Character education is an important building block I the foundation of our students. We teach and recognize a trait each month and students actively participate in developing these traits here at school and at home. Teachers used MAP data from Fall, Winter, and Spring to ensure students were being taught at their appropriate levels.

We will continue to increase our technology through the use of I-pads, LCD projectors, Activboards, and the addition of another computer lab for student use.

Once again, BES students shone brightly in their efforts to raise money for Relay for Life and donate supplies and food for the homeless, Humane Society, and Iron City Ministries.

We have implemented many strategies that helped us achieve success such as grade level team planning. Teachers planned lessons to motivate and educate while providing activities that met the various learning styles of their students. Staff development included a focus on special needs, autism, and differentiation. We have continued to show academic growth this year, and we have been recognized by the state with the Palmetto Silver Award. Students were recognized for attaining high rates of growth in academic performance as measured by the annual PASS assessment.

Mrs. Monica Phillips was our Distinguished Teacher of Reading and Mrs. Brenda Moss was named Teacher of the Year for Blacksburg Elementary. We are extremely proud of the hard work and dedication of our teachers.

We are looking forward to more success at BES as we continue to polish "our stars." On behalf of the faculty and staff of Blacksburg Elementary School, I would like to thank you for your continued dedication and cooperation as we all strive for excellence for all children.

Mrs. Cecile Comer, School Improvement Council Chairperson

Ms. Rita Martin, Principal

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